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Remarks

The Examiner noted in the Communication that Applicants' amendment filed Septemeber 28, 1998 amended the paper copy of the Sequence Listing, without including an amended computer-readable copy. The instant amendment provides amended copies of both the paper copy and computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing. As the attached Statement Under 37 C.F.R. 1.821 - 1.825 indicates, the substitute Sequence Listing is supported in the application, no new matter has been added, and the substitute Sequence Listing contains the same substantive sequence information. For the convenience of the Examiner and the Patent and Trademark Office, the name, address, telephone numbers and client docket number of Applicant's new attorney have been changed to reflect current information.

This amendment to the application is fully responsive to the Examiner's Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures. As indicated in the amendment filed September 28, 1998, Applicants respectfully submit that the application is now in condition for allowance, and such action is requested.

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